Twinfield Solar Planning Group Notes of 9/3/14 Meeting

Attending: Nancy Thomas, Mark Mooney, Christina Kimbell, Charlie Wanzer, Anne Miller, Ed

Hutchinson, Rich Phillips

Convene: 3:05 PM Adjourn: 4:15 PM

Business:

- 1) Nancy briefly reported on the meetings held this summer by Norm on school solar projects. Two outcomes where: a) a model contract is being developed for schools entering into agreements with solar developers. 2) there may be interest in solar systems shared by multiple supervisory unions. Nancy wants to closely follow the progress of a possible MultiSU project as we review other alternatives. The estimate is that the model solar contract should be ready in October.
- 2) We discussed some of the items raised by Norm's earlier memo and agreed most of these would have to be addressed in the agreement. Rich pointed out that several of the issues raised by Norm probably should not be decided ahead of time but should be part of the negotiations. For instance, we may not want to decide to keep the RECs without knowing the financial ramifications of doing that. Or, we may want to decide ahead whether we will keep the RECs no matter what because that's better for the environment. Whether we receive rent for the land or not probably should be decided in negotiations when we know the financial ramifications
- 3) We decided to proceed with the RFI and not wait for the MultiSU option. Then we will have information on all the available options to compare.
- 4) We decided that Christina will get information on when the model contract will be ready and Rich will redraft the RFI. If the model contract is ready before November 1st it will be included as FYI with the RFI to let the responders know the kind of coverage we expect in a contract. If the model contract is not ready by November 1st we will send the RFI without it, but mention it.
- 5) Next Solar Planning Group meeting will be September 22, 2014 at 3:00 PM
- 6) Nancy will keep the Board up to date so we can go with the RFI in a timely manner when it is ready.